

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~striketrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND claims 13 and 17 and ADD new claim 18 in accordance with the following:

1-12. (CANCELLED)

13. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of electronically authorizing or repudiating an electronically processed task, comprising:

storing a plurality of elements forming tasks to be electronically processed into a database subsequent to an electronic authorization or repudiation, each of said plurality of elements including a user identifier requesting authorization and/or repudiation reasons;

retrieving said database for a task including elements forming the task to be electronically authorized and for the user requesting authorization of said task; and

displaying retrieved repudiation reasons for the task and retrieved repudiation reasons for the user, and

wherein a user authorizing the task is provided with information indicative of which elements forming the task to be electronically authorized should be reviewed based on a predetermined number of said retrieved repudiation reasons for the task and the user.

14-16. (CANCELLED)

17. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of electronically authorizing or repudiating an electronically processed task, comprising:

associating elements forming completed tasks with a user requesting authorization or repudiation reasons with respect to the completed tasks; and

indicating elements of a new electronically processed task presented by the user for focus of review in accordance with the association of the elements forming the completed tasks corresponding to the user and based on a predetermined number of repudiation reasons

retrieved for the task and the user.

18. (NEW) A method of electronically authorizing or repudiating electronically processed tasks, comprising:

receiving a first task having contents developed by a user;

comparing the contents of the first task with contents of a second task previously developed by the user and reviewed by a reviewer; and

identifying an object among the contents of the first task as a point to be authorized or repudiated by the reviewer when said comparing indicates that the object of the first task is identical to an object of the second task previously developed and reviewed.